

Oppose and resist the Mutual Logistics Support Agreement and assail its treacherous signing

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The Communist Party of the Philippines and the entire revolutionary movement strongly condemn the treacherous signing by the puppet Macapagal-Arroyo government and US imperialism's representative of the Mutual Logistics Support Agreement. The puppet regime contrived to have the MLSA approved surreptitiously as an executive agreement instead of a treaty.

Fully aware of the people's vehement objection to the MLSA, the puppet government avoided subjecting it to senate and public debate which would have exposed the agreement's real objectives, content and implications on the country's overall welfare and future.

The puppet regime's drumbeaters are now attempting to hoodwink those who oppose the MLSA in saying that provisions for permanent US basing in the Philippines have been removed from the agreement and that the country's consent was needed for any US plans to deploy its military forces stationed in the Philippines. These are all deceptions. By appending the MLSA to the existing Visiting Forces Agreement, it becomes ever clearer that the entire Philippines will be transformed into a US military base.

The MLSA's surreptitious signing is nothing but blind and slavish obsequiousness by the puppet government to its master US imperialism. The chief puppet Macapagal-Arroyo wishes to obey her master's every desire and dictate and become the leading and favored US puppet in Asia. She derangedly believes that whatever US assistance she expects will be able buttress her government that is on the rapid and inexorable path to bankruptcy and shore up her flagging hopes of clinging to power beyond 2004.

In the face of the MLSA's signing as an executive agreement, the Communist Party of the Philippines challenges the various organizations, individuals and sectors that believe in and have concern for Philippine sovereignty and national integrity to redouble their opposition and resistance to the treacherous way by which this agreement was finalized and the threat of US imperialist military aggression advanced by the MLSA.###

Tutulan at labanan ang Mutual Logistics Support Agreement at batikusin ang patraydor na paglalagda nito

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Mariing kinukundena ng Partido Komunista ng Pilipinas at ng buong rebolusyonaryong kilusan ang patraydor na pakikipaglagdaan ng papet na gubyernong Macapagal-Arroyo at ng kinatawan ng imperyalismong US upang mapinalisa ang Mutual Logistics Support Agreement. Pinilit ng papet na rehimen na ipuslit ang pagpapatibay ng MLSA sa pamamagitan ng pag-aapruba nito bilang isang *executive agreement* lamang sa halip na isang ganap na tratado.

Alam-na-alam ng papet na gubyrno na matindi ang pagtutol ng mamamayan dito, kaya iniwasang masalang ang MLSA sa debate sa senado at publiko, na maglalantad nang husto sa mga tunay na layunin, nilalaman at implikasyon ng kasunduang ito sa kabuuang kapakanan at kinabukasan ng bansa.

Ang mga tumututol sa MLSA ay tinatangka ngayong linlangin ng mga tagatilaok ng papet na rehimen sa pagsasabing inalis na sa kasunduan ang pagkakaroon ng permanenteng base ng US sa Pilipinas at kailangan diumanong may pagsang-ayon ang bansa sa anumang maaaring paggamit ng US sa mga pwersang militar nitong hihimpil sa Pilipinas. Ang mga ito ay pawang panlilinlang. Sa pamamagitan ng pagdaragdag ngayon ng MLSA sa umiiral nang Visiting Forces Agreement, lalong malinaw na ang buong bansang Pilipinas ay gagawin nang base militar ng US.

Ang pagpupuslit ng MLSA ay pikit-mata at asal-aliping pagiging sunud-sunuran ng papet na gubyrno sa amo at dinidiyos nitong imperyalismong US. Nais ng punong papet na si Macapagal-Arroyo na sumunod sa bawat gusto at dikta ng kanyang amo at maging nangunguna at paboritong papet ng US sa Asia. Hibang na inaaakala niyang masusuhayan pa ng anumang inaasahan niyang tulong ng US ang tuluy-tuloy at mabilis na nababangkaroteng gubyrno niya at lalong bumabagsak na pag-asa niyang makapanatili sa kapangyarihan lampas sa 2004.

Sa harap ng paglagda sa MLSA bilang isang *executive agreement*, hinahamon ng Partido Komunista ng Pilipinas ang iba't-ibang mga organisasyon, indibidwal at iba pang mga sektor na naniniwala at nagmamalasakit sa soberanya at pambansang integridad ng bansang Pilipinas na lalo pang pag-ibayuhin ang pagtutol at paglaban sa patraydor na paraan ng pagpinalisa nito at sa nakaambang agresyong militar ng tropa ng imperyalismong US na itinataguyod nito. ###